

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are now pending in the application. Claims 5-7 and 11 are allowed. Claims 1-4, 8-10, and 12-23 are rejected. Claims 1, 12, and 15-18 are amended herein. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

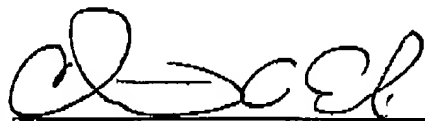
The Examiner's attention is directed to amended independent Claim 1. This claim includes the limitation that the ram is arcuately movable within the tube. Applicant notes that neither of the Cumming or Kleeberger references disclose this limitation. With respect to the Cumming reference, Applicant notes that while the lens uses the curved surface to place the contact lens in a "taco" shape, Cumming at Col. 6, lines 28-34, Cumming does not teach a ram which is arcuately movable within the tube.

C NCLUSION

Claims 12 and 15-18 have been amended to depend on allowed Claim 11. It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (586) 726-3905.

Respectfully submitted,

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